

Statement on Senate Bill 208 and Senate Bill 694 (Campbell) Co-Author

As a rural Senator who stands up for rural Texas and the Texas way of life, I believe in protecting the natural beauty of the Texas hill country I am blessed to represent in Senate District 24. I also stand up for the rights of landowners who can be negatively impacted by overaggressive development. That is why I have co-authored Senate Bill 208 and Senate Bill 694, both by Senator Donna Campbell, relating to rock crushing facilities and aggregate production. Senate Bill 208 doubles the required distance a concrete crushing facility must be from a single or multifamily residence, school, or place of worship. Senate Bill 694 strengthens the ability of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to regulate aggregate production by allowing unannounced inspections on aggregate production operations who have violated state law or commission rule in the preceding two years, while also increasing fines for aggregate production operations who operate without a license.

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